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AKSA'S 2ND ANNUAL SUSTAINABILITY DAY HELD UNDER THE THEME "TOWARDS COP31"

Kazancı Holding's 2nd Annual Sustainability Day, organized as part of World Environment Day, was held under the theme "Towards COP31." Throughout the panels and workshops, energy transition, climate policies, resource efficiency, and sustainable living practices were addressed from various perspectives.



Held in celebration of World Environment Day, the 2nd Annual Sustainability Day brought together employees from different teams and Group companies to explore the diverse dimensions of sustainability. With strong interest in the full-day program, both corporate priorities and practical solutions applicable to everyday life were shared with a broad audience.

The event opened with the Sustainability Stage Opening Address, delivered with the participation of Mr. Naci Ağbal, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Kazancı Holding and CEO of Aksa Energy. During the panels titled "Energy Agenda," "Towards COP31," and "Zero-Waste Kitchen," senior executives, representatives from academia, and civil society organizations discussed key topics including energy transition, climate policies, the circular economy, resource efficiency, and individual responsibility. Employees also demonstrated strong engagement by actively participating in the sessions.

The "Candle Making from Coffee Waste" and "Natural Cleaning Products" workshops provided participants with the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in sustainable living practices. The candles and natural cleaning products created during the workshops were presented to the panelists as commemorative gifts.

Aksa's 2nd Annual Sustainability Day was remembered as an inspiring and thought-provoking gathering that combined knowledge-sharing with practical experience. With the contributions of the speakers, participating employees, and the teams involved in organizing the event, the shared commitment to collaborating and moving forward together toward a more sustainable future was once again reaffirmed.



AKSA POWER GENERATION TOOK ACTION FOR CLEANER SEAS ON WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

As part of World Environment Day on June 5, Aksa Power Generation participated in a sea-surface cleaning initiative along the Tuzla coastline, translating its environmental responsibility for the protection of marine ecosystems into action. During the event, waste was collected from the sea surface in support of cleaner seas and a more livable future.



Organized to mark World Environment Day, the sea-surface cleaning initiative highlighted the tangible impact of environmentally conscious practices in the field. Departing from the Tuzla shoreline, the activity focused on collecting waste from the surface of the sea. It was emphasized that this initiative represented a practical reflection of the company's responsibility toward the environment.

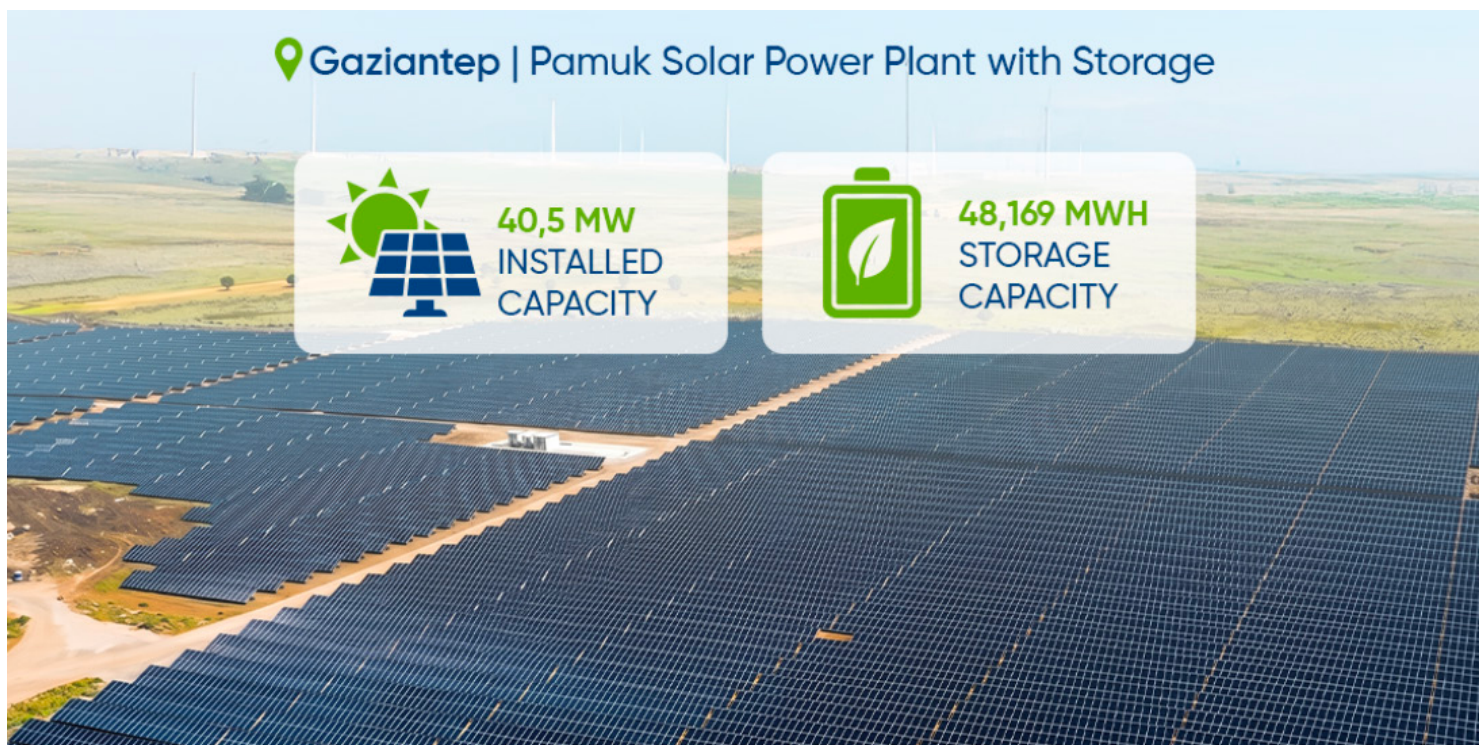
The key message of the event drew attention to the connection between cleaner seas and a more livable future. While underscoring that the protection of marine environments is an essential component of the sustainability approach, the initiative also highlighted the goal of leaving a cleaner legacy for future generation

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AKSA ENERGY'S GAZIANTEP PAMUK SOLAR POWER PLANT WITH ENERGY STORAGE COMMENCES COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS

Aksa Energy's Gaziantep Pamuk Solar Power Plant with Energy Storage, developed in line with the company's sustainable high-growth vision, has commenced commercial operations. By integrating energy storage technology, the project contributes to Türkiye's energy transition.



Aksa Energy has commissioned the Gaziantep Pamuk Solar Power Plant with Energy Storage, one of the company's key investments supporting its sustainability-focused growth strategy. With an installed capacity of 40.5 MWe / 58 MWp and an energy storage capacity of 48,169 MWh, the facility marks the company's first investment in the field of renewable energy with storage.

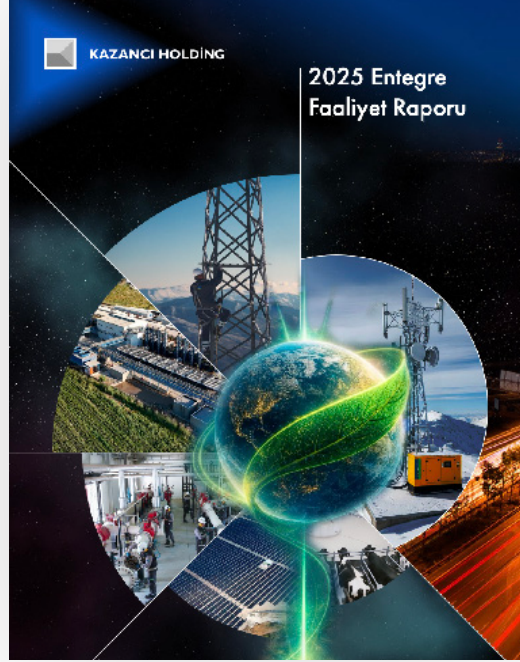
By combining solar power generation with energy storage technology, the project contributes to the more efficient use of renewable energy resources. As one of the largest solar power plants with energy storage in the region, the facility has commenced operations with an infrastructure designed to support continuity of generation, grid stability, and system flexibility through its storage capacity.

The Gaziantep Pamuk Solar Power Plant with Energy Storage will also contribute to Türkiye's 2053 Net Zero Emissions target while supporting the wider deployment of renewable energy investments integrated with energy storage solutions.



KAZANCI HOLDING PUBLISHES ITS 2025 INTEGRATED ANNUAL REPORT

Kazancı Holding has published its 2025 Integrated Annual Report, bringing together its financial and non-financial performance under a single framework for the first time. The report presents the Holding's performance results, strategic developments, risk and opportunity assessments, and sustainability approach for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2025, within a comprehensive and integrated framework.



During this reporting period, Kazancı Holding consolidated, for the first time, the performance results, targets, and achievements that had previously been disclosed separately through its annual and sustainability reports. This enabled the Holding to present its financial and non-financial performance for 2025 to its stakeholders from a more holistic perspective.

Prepared in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards and the International Integrated Reporting Framework, the report also includes risk and opportunity assessments developed within the scope of the Türkiye Sustainability Reporting Standards (TSRS) and the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS). This structure demonstrates that the report has been prepared with multidimensional content aligned with international reporting frameworks.

The Integrated Annual Report addresses the value created and shared by Kazancı Holding from the perspective of the various capitals. In addition to key information about the Holding, the sectors in which it operates, and its business model, the report provides a comprehensive overview of its corporate governance structure, strategy, objectives, sustainability approach, risk management practices, and ethics and compliance mechanisms.

Kazancı Holding's first Integrated Annual Report marks the beginning of a more holistic, transparent, and internationally aligned reporting approach. It represents an important step in presenting the Holding's value creation model, governance structure, and sustainability performance within a single, integrated framework.



POLICY OF THE MONTH

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY



Lower Impact, Stronger Future

We reduce our environmental impact to build a sustainable future, embedding a business approach that protects natural resources, the climate, and biodiversity across all our operations.

REDUCES THE CARBON FOOTPRINT



Greenhouse gas emissions are monitored through a life cycle approach, while clean energy and energy efficiency solutions are developed.

PROTECTS WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES



Natural resources are used efficiently, and water scarcity risks are effectively managed.

PRESERVES BIODIVERSITY AND NATURAL HABITATS



Impacts on habitats, endemic species, and endangered wildlife are managed in a sustainable manner.

EMBRACES A ZERO-WASTE APPROACH



Waste generation is minimized, while recycling and circular economy practices are promoted.

STRENGTHENS COLLECTIVE TRANSFORMATION



Employees, business partners, and suppliers are encouraged to take an active role in environmental responsibility.

FOR THE ENVIRONMENT TODAY, FOR THE FUTURE EVERY DAY



ZERO WASTE FESTIVAL CONCLUDES IN ISTANBUL

Held in Istanbul, the Zero Waste Festival brought together environmental awareness, culture, and the arts over the course of four days. Centered around the theme “Efficiency in Energy, Transformation for the Future,” the festival introduced the culture of sustainable living to a broad audience.



Organized as part of Zero Waste Week, the festival concluded with a diverse program focused on environmental issues. Throughout the event, sustainable living, resource efficiency, and responsible consumption habits were addressed through a variety of content and activities.

The program featured talks, stage performances, children’s activities, and interactive experience areas. Participants had the opportunity to explore sustainability more closely in spaces where they could measure their carbon and water footprints, examine circular economy practices, and experience the impacts of climate change through different tools and applications.

In addition to environmentally themed content, the festival also featured activities that encouraged participants to reconsider their everyday habits. Another notable aspect of the organization was that all electricity required for the event was supplied from renewable energy sources.

By bringing together the environment, culture, art, and science on a shared platform, the Zero Waste Festival was held as a comprehensive event that made sustainable living more visible and accessible.



TÜRKİYE'S COUNTRY OVERSHOOT DAY FALLS ON JUNE 6

June 6 marks Türkiye's Country Overshoot Day—the date on which Earth Overshoot Day would occur if everyone in the world consumed natural resources at the same rate as people in Türkiye. Under this scenario, humanity would begin using ecological resources faster than the Earth can regenerate them for the remainder of the year.



Country Overshoot Day reflects the level of natural resource consumption associated with a particular country. According to the 2026 calculations, Türkiye's Country Overshoot Day falls on June 6, while the global Earth Overshoot Day falls on July 30.

The data indicate that Türkiye's level of consumption is above the global average. If everyone in the world adopted the same lifestyle and consumption patterns as people in Türkiye, the resources of approximately 2.3 Earths would be required to sustain global demand.

This outlook highlights the importance of reconsidering our consumption habits. Reducing carbon emissions, preventing food waste, increasing the use of renewable energy, and making more responsible consumption choices are among the key steps that can help reduce our ecological footprint.



EU TIGHTENS WATER RULES TO ADDRESS PLASTIC AND CHEMICAL POLLUTION

Updated European Union rules aimed at protecting water resources have entered into force. The new framework strengthens the monitoring of microplastics, persistent chemicals known as PFAS, and other pollutants.



The regulation updates the lists of substances that pose risks to surface water and groundwater. This is intended to enable closer monitoring of pollutants that may have significant impacts on the environment and human health.

Under the revised framework, greater attention is given to microplastics, persistent PFAS chemicals, certain pesticides, and pharmaceutical residues. Indicators of antimicrobial resistance are also included in the monitoring framework for the first time.

Through these changes, the European Union aims to strengthen the monitoring of plastic and chemical pollution in water resources, reduce contamination, and establish a more up-to-date framework for water protection and management. The regulation also supports a more comprehensive approach to monitoring water quality.

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EXTREME HEAT IS BECOMING PART OF THE NEW NORMAL IN EUROPE

High temperatures across Europe have once again highlighted the growing impacts of the climate crisis. Heatwaves that are beginning earlier in the year and disrupting daily life in many countries are placing increasing pressure on public health, education, infrastructure, and agriculture.



In recent weeks, temperatures in many parts of Europe have risen significantly above seasonal averages. Heatwaves affecting Western Europe in particular have led to record-breaking June temperatures in some countries, school closures, changes to working hours, and an increase in public health warnings.

Extreme heat is no longer viewed solely as a short-term weather event. It is increasingly recognized as a structural risk that challenges the ability of cities, infrastructure systems, and communities to adapt. High temperatures pose greater health risks to older people, children, outdoor workers, and individuals with chronic health conditions. They also increase energy demand, place pressure on agricultural production, and directly affect urban life.

The situation across Europe also indicates that heatwaves are beginning earlier and becoming more intense. Climate observations point to significant temperature anomalies, particularly in Western Europe, from the end of spring onward.

Experts emphasize that Europe is one of the regions experiencing the effects of climate change most rapidly. Alongside efforts to reduce emissions, this makes measures such as expanding cooling and shaded areas in cities, strengthening early warning systems, adapting schools and workplaces to extreme heat, and protecting vulnerable groups increasingly important.

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THREE STEPS FOR EVERY DROP



Reduce, Reuse, Replace!

Türkiye is among the countries experiencing water stress. In 2021, daily water use per person in Türkiye was calculated at approximately 146 litres, while it is estimated that around 93 litres of water per person are used inefficiently every day in households. Changing this situation is possible through small but lasting changes in our daily habits.

1. REDUCE

Use water only when you need it.

- Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth, shaving, and soaping your hands. This habit can reduce daily water use by up to 23 litres.
 - Keep your showers to seven minutes or less.
- Do not run washing machines or dishwashers until they are fully loaded.
- Wash fruit and vegetables in a bowl of water rather than under running water.
 - Repair dripping taps and leaking toilet cisterns without delay.
- Use a bucket, cloth, or broom instead of a hose when cleaning balconies, vehicles, and outdoor areas.
- Water your plants in the early morning or evening, when evaporation is lower.

2. REUSE

Water that has been used once is not necessarily waste.

- Reuse the water from washing fruit and vegetables to water your plants.
 - While waiting for water to heat up in the shower or at the tap, collect the running water in a container and use it for cleaning or watering plants.
 - Where appropriate, collect rainwater and use it for garden irrigation.
- Do not use collected water intended for reuse for drinking, cooking, or personal hygiene.

3. REPLACE

Support water conservation by using the right equipment.

- Install aerators on tap outlets.
- Replace conventional showerheads with low-flow models.
 - Choose dual-flush, low-volume toilet cisterns.
- Monitor the flow rate of taps and mixers. Choose products that do not exceed six litres per minute for washbasins and eight litres per minute for showers.
 - Replace leaking or worn plumbing components.

MONITOR YOUR CONSUMPTION

Check your water bill and meter every month. Compare your usage with previous months and set an achievable water-saving target for yourself.



START TODAY

Turn off a tap. Repair a leak. Reuse some water.

Using water efficiently does not mean compromising your quality of life; it means meeting the same need with less water. Every habit we change today helps protect tomorrow's water resources.



ECO MYTHS

Myth 2

Electric Vehicles Have No Carbon Footprint



Electric vehicles are regarded as a cleaner transportation alternative to fossil fuel-powered vehicles because they produce no tailpipe emissions during use. They can offer significant benefits, particularly in reducing urban air pollution. For this reason, electric vehicles are often perceived as a completely environmentally friendly, zero-impact solution.

However, the environmental impact of electric vehicles is not entirely zero. A vehicle's carbon footprint is not limited solely to the emissions generated while it is being driven. The manufacturing process, the raw materials used in the battery, the energy consumed during production, the supply chain, and the vehicle's service life all contribute to its overall environmental impact. Battery production, in particular, plays a significant role due to its energy-intensive nature.

Another key factor determining the actual impact of an electric vehicle is the source of the electricity used to charge it. When a vehicle is powered by an electricity grid that relies heavily on fossil fuels, indirect emissions are generated. By contrast, an electric vehicle charged using renewable energy can have a significantly lower carbon footprint throughout its operational life.

In other words, the vehicle's environmental performance depends not only on the vehicle itself but also on the energy system that powers it.

This does not mean that electric vehicles offer no environmental benefits. On the contrary, when used under the right conditions, they can provide a lower-emission transportation option. Electric vehicles that remain in use for extended periods, are powered by renewable energy, and replace internal combustion engine vehicles can deliver a more positive environmental outcome. However, describing them as having no environmental impact would be an incomplete assessment.

In summary, electric vehicles can be a more sustainable transportation solution, but their carbon footprint is not entirely eliminated. Their actual impact varies depending on manufacturing processes, battery production, the energy source used for charging, and the duration of use.

A small note for conscious choices:

The most sustainable transportation option may not always be purchasing a new vehicle. Using public transportation, choosing cycling or walking, expanding vehicle-sharing practices, and keeping an existing vehicle in use for longer are also effective ways to reduce environmental impact.



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